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## NO U-53 PROTEST

### BY BRITAIN NOW

#### To Await Result of American Inquiry, Viscount Grey Tells Lords.

### DOESN'T ACCUSE U. S. NAVY

By the Associated Press.  
LONDON, October 18.—The British government will not make any official representation to the United States concerning the German submarine U-53, pending an announcement of its attitude by the American government, said Viscount Grey, secretary of state for foreign affairs, in the house of lords yesterday.

In reply to a question concerning the attitude of the United States toward British patrols, Viscount Grey said that the United States admitted the British ships were not exceeding their legal rights under international law, but that the American government complained of their presence on the ground of the irritation which the continued presence of belligerent warships off the coast of the United States naturally caused in a neutral country. He declared that the United States had requested Great Britain emphatically not to patrol its coast, and said that instructions were sent to the British ships there to avoid causing any unnecessary irritation and to comply as far as possible with the American request.

#### Awaiting American Inquiry.

"With regard to the U-53," the foreign secretary continued, "we do not know what steps were taken by the United States for patrolling its waters or in regard to coming to port and securing information from newspapers. We do not know whether it is true that American warships got off the submarine's way. That is a matter for the American government only, and we assume that government is making full inquiries. We also assume it will announce its attitude in due course. Pending that we do not propose to make any official representation on the subject of the submarine."

#### Disclosures Cause a Stir.

The statement of Viscount Grey caused a considerable stir, says the London correspondent of the Liverpool Post. "It has thrown a most disagreeable light on the attitude of the American government in the early stages of the war," the correspondent comments. "Washington is shown in a querulous, captious mood, making demands which it admitted were not legally tenable."

"We are awaiting some announcement from the administration in the United States after they have completed the inquiries which Viscount Grey assumes they will make. There is no evidence that any such inquiries are in progress, and the general feeling is that the matter will have to be pressed a little further."

Under the heading "A Contrast," the Evening Standard, commenting on the American protests against British cruisers "hovering" off American ports and America's treatment of the German submarine U-53, says that no protest was made by the United States against the activities of the submarine.

"Our only indication of the Washington attitude," the newspaper says, "is that she repudiates the allies' view that a submarine is not entitled to the privilege of an ordinary warship. It will be interesting to see whether President Wilson finds that the submarine is forbidden to travel in international waters as any other warship."

## NORWAY'S POSITION AS TO SUBMARINES

#### Declines to Bar Them at Best of the Entente Powers.

LONDON, October 18, 1916 a.m.—Reuters' Christiania correspondent says Norway has informed the entente allies that it does not recognize it as its duty to prohibit passage through or sojourn in Norwegian waters by belligerent submarines. The Norwegian note is in response to the memorandum of the entente powers to neutrals suggesting that belligerent submarines could be excluded from neutral waters.

The Norwegian government declares it considers it has the right to prohibit submarines designed for war purposes and belonging to belligerents from passing through Norwegian territorial waters or sojourning in them, and says it made use of this right in issuing the royal decree of October 13, under which belligerent submarines are forbidden to traverse Norwegian waters except in cases of emergency, when they must remain upon the surface and fly the national flag.

#### Must Remain on Surface.

"The decree also provides that mercantile submarines are to be allowed in Norwegian waters only in a surface position in full daylight and when flying the national colors. On the other hand, the government does not find that it is its duty as against any of the belligerents to prohibit such passage or sojourn. Concerning neutral submarines the new Norwegian regulations impose no prohibition, it is pointed out, as far as concerns arrival or sojourn of such submarines, other than the conditions designated in the royal decree. The Norwegian government says care will be taken to see that commercial submarines which may arrive in Norway are not mistaken for the indistinguishable character of merchant ships."

#### No Justification for Change.

Until experience has shown what differences may arise for maintenance of neutrality in consequence of the use of commercial submarines, the note continues, the question of issuing special regulations for such vessels cannot be taken into consideration. In view of the generally recognized principles of impartial neutrality which were given expression in the introduction to the thirteenth treaty adopted at The Hague, the government says it is always necessary during the existence of war to avoid a change of neutrality regulations unless experience demonstrates the necessity of doing so in order to protect neutral states in their own rights.

#### Like Position of U. S.

Norway's position in some respects is similar to that of the United States, which, in replying to the submarine memorandum of the entente allies, said that in its opinion "the allied powers have not set forth any circumstances nor is the government of the United States at present aware of any circumstances concerning the use of war or merchant submarines which would render the maintenance of international law inapplicable to them."

## WOMEN TO LEARN OF PREPAREDNESS

#### School Under Auspices of Navy League Section Opened This Afternoon.

### SEVERAL SPEAKERS HEARD

The school of preparedness for American women, to be conducted under the auspices of the woman's section of the Navy League, in the Theodore Bailey Myers Mason House, 1808 20th street northwest, was formally opened this afternoon. The house is a gift to the league for the purposes indicated, from Mrs. Julian James.

The principal speakers were Maj. Gen. George Barnett, commander of the Marine Corps; Col. Robert M. Thompson, president of the Navy League, and Elliot Wadsworth of the American Red Cross.

Students of the First National Service School, at Chevy Chase, in uniform, acted as ushers and guides.

#### Expression of Interest.

"As an expression of the public interest in national preparedness," said Col. Thompson, "nothing has equalled the training camps except the preparedness parties. It has taken years of earnest teaching by the Navy League, assisted by the public interest created by the European war, to crystallize and obtain expression of the national desire for an adequate navy and proper national preparedness, but the training camps and preparedness parades have at last forced the politicians to assent, at least in outward appearance, to the public demand."

"I believe that the Navy League may well undertake in their teaching campaign to teach the truth about the labor situation, to preach justice for all, fairness to the employed as well as the employers, and above all to remind both of these classes that they are part of the American people and that they cannot hurt the whole without hurting themselves. This is, in essence, a part of our campaign for national preparedness, for that includes the co-operation of a nation of united citizens, like Theodore Roosevelt, love, life, work, and, if necessary, die for their country."

#### Tells of Red Cross Classes.

Mr. Wadsworth, speaking upon the educational work of the American Red Cross, described the various types of classes which have been formed throughout the country, and emphasized the great opportunity which has been opened the women of Washington in the establishment of the school of military preparedness. First aid, home nursing, dieting, etc., are now being taught in many of the principal cities of the country and the value of this work, as preparing for home as well as possible national emergencies, was explained.

Gen. Barnett spoke informally upon the subject, "National Preparedness."

#### CEREMONIES TOMORROW AT D. C. MILESTONE NO 3

Louis P. Shoemaker, Fred E. Woodward and Rear Admiral Charles H. Stockton are to be the principal speakers at the ceremonies scheduled for tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in connection with the placing of an iron fence around District of Columbia milestone No. 3.

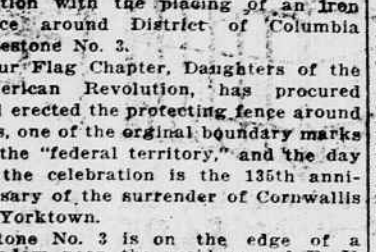
Our Flag Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, has procured and erected the protecting fence around this, one of the original boundary marks of the "federal territory," and the day of the celebration is the 135th anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown.

Stone No. 3 is on the edge of a meadow near the residence of F. Joy, near Stotts Station, on Riggs road, which can be reached from Rock Creek Church road and Blair road. Automobiles can approach quite near and flags will point the way. Another way of approach is via the Eagle gate of the Soldiers' Home. The chapter will provide motor transportation for guests arriving from the north and the latter should notify Mrs. Hodgkins, chairman of the committee on arrangements, 1830 T street northwest, North 2945, by telephone in case they desire to come by this approach. All members of the D. A. R. and their friends are cordially invited.

The children from the Woodburn School will form a procession, singing "America." Rev. John T. Huddle will pronounce the invocation and the flag raising will be under the direction of Miss Ramsey, Miss Harriet Loy and Miss Helen M. Hodgkins. Greetings from various D. A. R. officials will follow and the ceremonies will conclude with the singing of the national anthem and a benediction by Mrs. Paul E. Hickok.

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## URGES PROTECTION OF GASOLINE USERS

#### Bureau of Standards Says the Individual Cannot Guard Own Interests.

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Protection of the consumer of gasoline against paying for an inferior product lies only in an efficient inspection service and legislation prohibiting the sale of gasoline motor fuels which do not come up to certain specifications, according to a statement issued by the bureau of standards. The individual user, according to the bureau, cannot protect himself. The government must protect him.

No simple tests can be used to fix the composition of such complex mixtures of hydrocarbons as are represented by gasoline. The popular opinion that specific gravity will suffice as a test for gasoline is unfortunately erroneous, the statement further says.

"The message which it is particularly desired to convey to the public should not expect hasty action," says the statement. "It is extremely important that we proceed with the greatest caution and in the light of the fullest technical information. There is only one way, or at all events, the best way, of doing the right thing, while there are an infinite number of ways of doing the wrong thing. A mistake of any kind, such as a specification that is unnecessarily restrictive, which might unduly limit competition, will disturb economic and manufacturing conditions and might only result in imposing greater burdens on the consuming public."

#### Two Aspects to Question.

"There are two aspects to the question under consideration, the one local, the other national. There is no doubt that the advantages that would result from a satisfactory standardization of gasoline by the national government are many. Not the least of these would be its influence on state and municipal legislation relating to this question and its effect in making such legislation more nearly uniform throughout the country. Indiscriminate legislation beginning to take up this question and much of this legislation is certain to be the best intentions, because it cannot in the nature of things receive the careful consideration of technical experts that is required for a satisfactory solution of questions of this kind. It will readily be seen that the effect of indiscriminate legislation might reduce conditions nothing short of chaotic."

#### Governments Must Protect.

"The question that very naturally arises at this point is—with such a complicated specification for gasoline, for which the user cannot make the necessary tests, like Theodore Roosevelt, able to protect his interests and to assure himself that he is actually getting standard gasoline. The answer is, he cannot possibly do so; the government—national, state or municipal—must protect him by a reliable inspection service, just as it protects him in matters relating to weights and measures, pure foods, etc."

"National legislation, relating to interstate commerce, making it unlawful to sell a product under the name of gasoline, which does not come within the specifications, with a suitable inspection service, would be an important contributing factor in safeguarding the consumer's interests. Other products, which might be just as good motor fuels for motor and capacitor equipments adapted to them, could not then be sold in interstate commerce under the name of 'gasoline,' but would have to be called motor fuels or by some other name which would distinguish them from the standard 'gasoline.' To protect the interests of the consumer in interstate commerce it would be necessary for states and municipalities to adopt similar legislation and to increase their inspection service to provide for this new work, just as they have provided for weights and measures and pure food regulations in the past."

## COURSE OF FREE LECTURES.

#### Men's Club of Hamline M. E. Church Presents Program.

A free course of five American "lectures" has been arranged by the Men's Brotherhood of Hamline M. E. Church, to begin this evening, when Frank Yeigh, lecturer of the bureau of commercial economics, will take as his topic "The Norway of Canada—Prince Rupert to Alaska." The other dates, subjects and lecturers, who are all connected with the bureau of commercial economics, are as follows: November 21, "Nature's Forces at Work."

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## TO PRESENT TWO PLAYS.

#### G. W. U. Students to Give First Production in December.

The George Washington University Players will present their first production of the season at one of the local theaters early in December. A second play will be offered next May. The proceeds from both productions will be devoted to the financing of student activities, and also probably to the maintenance of the University Hospital and to the fund being raised for the erection of a law school building.

The first play, "The Nurse's Almanac," by Henry James, was directed by the presentation of "Disraeli" last year, again will coach the players, assisted by Sol S. Gluck, president of the players' society.

#### Plan to Endow Hospital Room.

The Nurses' Alumnae of the George Washington University Hospital has begun a movement to endow a room in the hospital which may be used by members of their organization when ill, and, in line with the plan, has arranged with the management of Polk Theater for a benefit performance Monday evening.

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## FARMERS' CONGRESS HEARS TALK ON SOILS

#### Delegates attending the thirty-sixth annual session of the Farmers' National Congress, which is being held here, today, made a trip of inspection to the Mereland biological farm, near here.

Prof. Henry G. Bell of Chicago spoke on the subject "Managing Soil for Profit," and presented charts to show that gross returns per acre for corn in the three best corn-growing states of each of the following states ran as follows:

- Illinois, 4.2 per cent; Iowa, 4.3 per cent; Indiana, 5 per cent; Ohio, 5.3 per cent; New York, 7.4 per cent; Pennsylvania, 8.3 per cent; Virginia, 4.3 per cent; and Maryland, 7.3 per cent.

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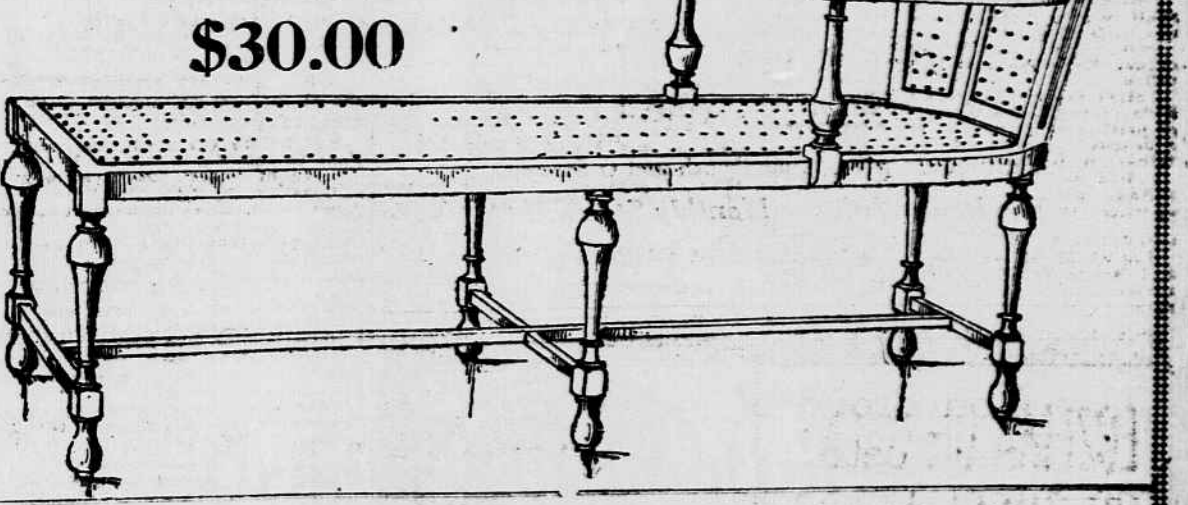
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